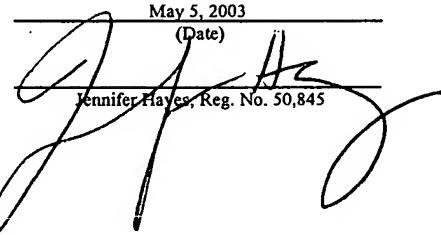


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In a Restriction Requirement, mailed January 6, 2003, restriction was made to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-10 and 17, drawn to an occlusion device deployment system;
- II. Claims 11-16, drawn to an occlusion device;
- III. Claims 18-27, drawn to a device implantation method;
- IV. Claims 28 and 29, drawn to a device removal method; and
- V. Claims 30 and 31, drawn to a retrieval catheter.

Applicant hereby elects Group III, without traverse.

If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned directly.

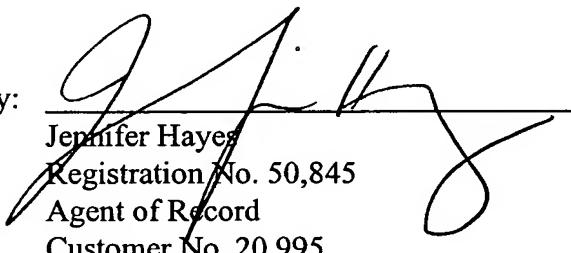
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